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TOPIC 1. Military Information from Litomerice, Terezin and Lovosice2. Infantry Regiment Utvar No 5208 in Marianske Lazne

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REMARKS

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Litomerice.

1. In the summer of 1951, an NCO school for PS personnel was located next to the main post office of Litomerice (N 51/F 53), several hundred meters north of the main square in the city center. The trainees observed wore green epaulets, a dog's head emblem on the lapels and red stripes on the sleeves. In addition, troops wearing black epaulets were repeatedly observed practicing bridge construction in the city up to 1951. \*

Terezin.

2. Record firing by two SP guns was last observed in the vicinity of Terezin (N 51/F 53) in September 1951. A dog training school containing about 70 double kennels, was located in the southeastern section of the fortress premises, just south of the town. The training lasted about six months. The final training was given by SNB or PS personnel. At the end of 1950 Staff Captain Dr. Brednersky, (fnu), was employed in the military hospital in Terezin.

Lovosice.

3. Until early October 1951, the former Labska Restaurace Hotel in Lovosice (N 51/F 43) was occupied by a unit of soldiers wearing black epaulets. This unit had arrived in the town in July 1951. The former hotel was located on the south bank of the Labe River, about 500 meters northeast of the church, and was a three-story brick structure with corner towers. The unit was estimated to number more than 100 men, commanded by a senior lieutenant and equipped with rifles, submachine guns, telephone equipment, several trucks, 2 jeeps and 3 motorcycles.
4. An antenna mast, about 25 meters high, was seen in the military restricted area on Mt. Radobyl, about 3 km northeast of Lovosice.

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5. [redacted] all men up to 50 years of age 50X1-HUM  
 who had served with the former German Armed Forces were  
 registered for the draft in September 1951. [redacted]  
 a former German Air Force lieutenant was called up for active service  
 with an air force unit on 4 October 1951. [redacted] two former mem-  
 bers of the German Armed Forces [redacted] were drafted for military service in  
 early October 1951. 50X1-HUM

Infantry Regiment in Marianske Lazne.

6. Until 28 June 1951, infantry regiment [redacted] in Marianske Lazne 50X1-HUM  
 (N 50/P 56) was subordinate to the 13th Inf Div in Karlovy Vary (N 51/P 69)  
 under the command of General Rytir, (fnu). The regimental headquarters and  
 the 2d and 3d Bns were quartered in the barracks installation at Hamrniky  
 village south of Marianske Lazne. The commanding officer was Colonel  
 Travnicky, (fnu), and the deputy commander was Staff Captain Burda, (fnu).  
 The regimental companies: [redacted] were 3 infantry companies, 1  
 heavy machine gun company, 1 mortar company, 1 AT artillery company and  
 1 technical company. About 40 percent of the enlisted personnel were de-  
 tached to labor brigades for work in coal mines and farm work. The ve-  
 hicles stationed in the barracks installation included about 17 RN-Praga  
 trucks and some jeeps and motorcycles. \*\* 50X1-HUM
7. The spring maneuvers were conducted in the Kaiserwald area from 4 to 30  
 April 1951. The regiment from Marianske Lazne, an artillery unit from  
 Stribro (N 50/P 74) and infantry units from Cheb (N 51/P 37), Karlovy Vary  
 and Kadan (N 51/K 91) took part in these maneuvers. The maneuvers included  
 training in combating partisan activities. To simulate a partisan force,  
 about 100 men were detached from several units, issued special equipment  
 and clothing, and ordered to conduct raids on rear-service units. Toward  
 the end of the maneuver period, other units arrived in the Kaiserwald area.  
 They included an artillery unit from Plzen (N 50/L 04) and a tank unit from  
 Milovice (O 51/G 00). \*\*\*

\* [redacted] Comment. [redacted] refers to the former secondary school 50X1-HUM  
 (Realschule) where an SNB school was reported to be located in the fall of  
 1950. [redacted] The school seemed to have become a training  
 center for PS personnel only upon the separation of PS units from the SNB.  
 A training center for engineer troops is known to be located in Litomerice.  
 The troops observed practicing bridge construction probably belonged to  
 the engineer school.

\*\* [redacted] Comment. Infantry regiment [redacted] has been repeatedly iden-  
 tified in the barracks installation at Hamrniky in Marianske Lazne. [redacted]  
 It is probably the 50th Inf Regt whose commander Colonel  
 Travnicky, (fnu), is confirmed. The present report also confirms the 13th  
 Inf Div under General Rytir, (fnu), [redacted]

\*\*\* [redacted] Comment. The 13th Inf Div is carried in Cheb and Karlovy Vary, the  
 11th Inf Div in Stribro, and the 12th Inf Div in Kadan.

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